SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 648

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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Catherine Howard, 2018 Valedictorian of Clarksville High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Catherine Howard is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2018 graduating class at Clarksville High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Howard achieved outstanding academic success and joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Catherine Howard earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average while participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including Student Government, Mu Alpha Theta, and Spanish Club, all of which she served as president. She also served as an ambassador and as a secretary for the Student 2 Student program; and

WHEREAS, excelling also in the athletic arena, Ms. Howard was an Infinity Cheer Tennessee Cheerleader, from which she received a leadership award; she participated in the organization's big sister little sister program and won at the national level; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Catherine Howard received the Spanish Department Award and the Clarksville-Montgomery County School System Academic Award and Point of Pride Award. She is a National Hispanic Scholar who participated in the Tennessee Governor's School for International Studies, Youth Leadership Clarksville, Rotary Youth Exchange, and American Legion Auxiliary Volunteer Girls State; and

WHEREAS, her display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Howard's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Ben and Daphne Howard, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Catherine Howard's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of the members of this General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we commend and honor the 2018 Clarksville High School Valedictorian, Catherine Howard, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.